

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few (or NO) long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety and security only. I am disabled, and I don't want to lose this benefit so that big businesses can pay less by putting the burden on me and other disabled people. We already struggle to pay bills on a limited income with no way to increase that income to cover an increased bill. However businesses can increase their incomes and/or decrease their spending in ways we can't.

I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee. Or have an escape clause for families with incomes less than \$45,000 a year, people on fixed incomes, Social Security recipients, SSI recipients, people on welfare, college students, people serving in the armed forces, people in the medical field, law enforcement officers and others in the security business, people who transport goods by truck, rail etc. and people 65 years of age and older.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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